BEFORE THE STATE ELECTION BOARD STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

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CITY OF RESACA,

Case No. 2005-000028

Respondent.

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CONSENT ORDER

The State Election Board and the Respondent, City of Resaca, in lieu of further administrative or legal proceedings, hereby enter into the following stipulations and settlement agreement for the purpose of resolving this matter with the entry of this Consent Order.

STIPULATED FACTS

1.

In 1983, Joe Don Griffith, Sr. was appointed to fill the unexpired term of a council seat for the City of Resaca. Mr. Griffith was subsequently elected as Mayor.

2.

At the time of Mr. Griffith's appointment, Mr. Griffith's residence was not within the city limits. Upon discovering the problem, the City Council for the City of Resaca annexed Mr. Griffith's residence into the City of Resaca.

3.

The City of Resaca failed to submit a copy of all annexation documents dating back to 1983 to the Department of Justice for approval.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Respondent City of Resaca acknowledges that it violated O.C.G.A. § 21-2-261.1 (c) by failing to submit annexation documents to the Department of Justice for approval.

ORDER

The Georgia State Election Board, having considered the particular facts and circumstances of this case, inclusive of the within and forgoing "Stipulated Facts" and "Conclusions of Law," hereby **ORDERS**, and the Respondent hereby agrees, to cease and desist from violating O.C.G.A. § 21-2-261.1 (c). The Respondent is hereby reprimanded for its conduct.

This Consent Order, inclusive of its Stipulations and Order, shall not become effective unless and until approved by the Georgia State Election Board. If not agreed to, approved by, and executed on behalf of, the Georgia State Election Board, neither stipulation nor any other part of this agreement shall have any binding legal effect whatsoever and shall not constitute an admission against interest or prejudice the ability of either the Board or Respondent to adjudicate this matter.

SO ORDERED this ______ day of _______ 2008. (signatures continued on following page)

State Election Board

CONSENTED TO BY:

Mayor City of Resaca